<u>RESOLUTION</u> (50-2013)

A RESOLUTION OF THE FAIRVIEW CITY COUNCIL FORMALLY REQUESTING TRIMET TO CONDUCT A MASS TRANSPORTATION STUDY FOR EAST COUNTY NORTH OF SANDY BOULEVARD.

WHEREAS, the City Council has determined there is a need for mass transit expansion in Fairview and East County to better serve the citizens; and

WHEREAS, Trimet has stated in its own Transportation Improvement Plan to expand bus services to enhance local community connections and to focus on the Eastside in 2013-14; and

WHEREAS, the Fairview City Council now finds it appropriate to issue a formal letter to Trimet requesting Trimet to conduct a mass transportation study of East County and specifically of the area north of Sandy Boulevard in order to improve connectivity of the local communities and businesses.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE FAIRVIEW CITY COUNCIL AS FOLLOWS:

Section 1 The letter attached as Exhibit A will be formally submitted to the Trimet Board of Directors and the Trimet General Manager requesting a mass transportation study of East County and specifically of the area north of Sandy Boulevard in order to improve connectivity of the local communities and businesses.

Section 2 This resolution is and shall be effective from and after its passage by the Council.

Resolution adopted by the City Council of the City of Fairview, this 2nd day of October, 2013.

Mayor, City of Fairview

Mike Weatherby

ATTEST

City Recorder, City of Fairview

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October 3, 2013

Bruce Warner, Trimet Board President Dr. T. Allen Bethel, Trimet Board Vice President Joe Esmonde, Trimet Board Director Consuelo Saragoza, Trimet Board Director Travis Stovall, Trimet Board Director Craig Prosser, Trimet Board Director Neil McFarlane, Trimet General Manager

RE: Request Mass Transportation Study for East Multnomah County North of Sandy Boulevard

Dear Sirs and Madam,

I am writing to you as the Mayor of the City of Fairview, with the support of the City Council. We are requesting TriMet honor its commitment as stated in its <u>Transit Investment Priorities</u> to "Expand bus service to enhance local community connections" and "focus on the Eastside.. in 2013-14." We ask you to do this by conducting a mass transportation study covering the area north of Sandy Boulevard to Marine Drive from Fairview to Troutdale. We also ask you to evaluate options for Trimet expansion in the studied area to enable citizens to move more easily around and from East County to other parts of the Portland Metro region.

We are asking Trimet to conduct a mass transportation study for the East County cities including the areas north of Sandy Boulevard. These areas are severely underserved. The commitment to assist with climate control and the need to reduce carbon emissions cannot be achieved in East County without the participation of Trimet by expanding mass transit use here. The areas of East County are severely underserved and in several areas citizens are unable to access Trimet services even if they wanted to. At one time, Trimet had a highly successful Banfield Flyer route and we request that this be included in the study for possible reinstatement.

We respectfully request Trimet conduct a transportation study of East County as set forth above and adhere to its own commitments to enhance services on the Eastside during 2013-14. We look forward to your response.

Thank you for your time and consideration.

Respectfully,

Mayor Mike Weatherby